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Mr. Michael Ring, T.D.,
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“To ask the Minister for Health when the entitlement for specialised swimwear and prosthesis to women who have had breast cancer surgery living in the Galway/Mayo/Roscommon region will be restored after being removed at the start of this year; if the same entitlement is available in other CHO areas; and if he will make a statement on the matter”

Dear Deputy Ring

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The maximum financial contribution available in Community Healthcare West towards the provision of Post Mastectomy Products is €340:

- Maximum €70 per mastectomy bra (2 allowable per year)
 - Maximum €200 per prosthesis (1 allowable every 2 years)
- Total per application is €340* (€530 in the case of bilateral mastectomy)

*Post mastectomy swimwear can be purchased as part of the contribution if this is the preference of the service user but the overall financial contribution available cannot exceed €340 i.e. Maximum total contribution for two bras, one prosthesis & swimwear is €340 euro. (€530 in the case of bilateral mastectomy).

I trust this information is of assistance to you, but should you have any further queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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